SUBJECT No. 136.

Construction of a new building for the Anglo-Hindustani school at Tarikere.

Mr. T. Syed Khaja Peeran Saheb, Muslim Association, Tarikere.

Summary of Discussion.—For about twenty years, classes are being held in the existing building which has been badly damaged during the recent rains and it is very necessary to provide a new building. If no new building can be provided at present, one or two rooms at least may be added on to the existing building so as to provide sufficient accommodation.

Inspector-General of Education.—The present building is sufficient for the present strength of the school. If it is very much dilapidated, it is not worth repairing.

Dewan.—Will be enquired into by the Inspector-General of Education.

SUBJECT No. 137.

A Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon to the Dispensary at Mudgere.

Messrs. B. Rangarajiah and N. Kalle Gowda, Mudgere, Taluk.

Messrs. B. Rangarajiah and N. Kalle Gowda.—The people in the malnad parts are suffering a good deal for want of a lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon. The population of the Mudgere Town consists mostly of Mahomedans who observe *purdah* system and the want of a Lady Sub-Assistant Surgeon is keenly felt. It is very difficult to secure good medical aid for women who observe the gosha system when they fall ill. When he last visited the malnad parts, the Dewan was kind enough to promise to look into this question and to grant our prayer. The request is very urgent and may kindly be sanctioned early.

First Member of Council.—There is a paucity of Lady Doctors. A Lady Doctor for the Kallurkatte Dispensary has been sanctioned but one could not be sent as none was available. When hands are available, the request will be considered.

Dewan.—I quite sympathise with your request. We will see what can be done.

SUBJECT No. 138.

Abolition of the 1st class travellers' bungalow and conversion of the Town Hall into a 2nd class travellers' bungalow at Mudgere.

Mr. B. Rangarajiah, Mudgere Taluk.

Summary of Discussion.—Very few travellers make use of this travellers' bungalow and there are not many travellers that visit these parts. Hence the first class travellers' bungalow may be converted into a second class travellers' bungalow and located at the Town Hall, the present travellers' bungalow being handed over to the Education Department for the use of the teachers. The D. P. W. lodge may be given to the Amildar for his quarters and his present quarters may be otherwise utilised.

Reply of Government.—The question will be investigated.

SUBJECT No. 139.

A waiting room at the Narasimharajapur Tramway Station.

Mr. Danivasa Shankarappa, Narasimharajapura Sub-Taluk.

Summary of Discussion.—Though there is a nominal time-table of arrivals and departures, it is not kept up to and sometimes passengers are made to wait for half an hour or more. There is many an occasion where passengers have missed connection to other trains. There is no accommodation for passengers to wait for these trains and much inconvenience is felt. Hence it is requested that a waiting room may kindly be ordered to be constructed early.

Mr. C. Subba Rao.—The necessity for the construction of a waiting room is real and may be sanctioned as early as possible. When the Dewan and Members of Council visit these parts, the Railway authorities will be very careful to keep up to the schedule time but at other times they are very indifferent, and people are put to much inconvenience.

Dewan.—The question will be favourably considered and sanction will be accorded for the construction of a shed.

When Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao wanted to speak about the District Fund roads in the Kadur District, he was told that as this question applied to all districts, it may be discussed while discussing the general subjects.

CHITALDRUG DISTRICT.

(Nos. 140 to 148.)

SUBJECT No. 140.

Discontinuance of the collection of Railway Cess in the Chitaldrug District and the surplus of railway cess to be handed over to the District Board.

Messrs. Sati Halappa, Chitaldrug Taluk and Anandathirtha Rao, Chitaldrug District Board.

Mr. Sati Halappa.—For the past ten years railway cess is being collected in the Chitaldrug District and as there is no prospect of extending the railway line just at present, the collection of railway cess may be suspended. We will have no objection to its being imposed again in case any extension of the line is undertaken. Till then this may be suspended as it is a great burden on the people.

Mr. Karnick Krishna Murthi Rao.—Railway Cess does not seem to be a permanent one. It should be imposed only whenever necessary.

First Member of Council.—There is every likelihood of the line being extended from Chickjajur to Hiriyur and onward and it is not desirable to suspend this now and revive it when the work of extension is undertaken. I do not think it is possible.

Dewan.—The Railway line costs about 20 lakhs of rupees. There is no justification in your saying that you cannot pay railway cess. The amount of the railway cess is kept in deposit and Government is not utilising it. Government is already giving a lot of interest on the money invested in this line. The prayer for the suspension of the levy of the cess cannot be adopted in any particular district, since other districts also may begin to ask for a similar concession. I have already stated in my reply to the address presented to me by the District Board and the Municipal Council of Chitaldrug that the levy of the railway cess cannot be held in abeyance. I am sorry I cannot give any other reply than the one already given.

SUBJECT No. 141.

More facilities in the Chickjajur-Chitaldrug Railway.

Mr. S. Virabhadrappa, Chitaldrug Taluk.

Summary of Discussion.—As great inconvenience is felt at present by the third class passengers for want of accommodation in the Chitaldrug-Chikjajur Railway it is prayed.—

(1) that the number of carriages may be increased,

(2) that a waiting room may be provided at Chikjajur at an early date, and

(3) that the trains between Chikjajur and Chitaldrug may be arranged to run two times a day to and fro.

Dewan.—(1) An additional four-wheeler will be put on.

(2) A waiting shed for third class passengers will be put up at Chikjajur Station on the Mysore Railways.

(3) Will be given a trial from 1st January.

SUBJECT No. 142.

Opening of a tramway service from Hari-

Summary of Discussion.—It is prayed that a tramway service may be opened by Government between Harihar and Shimoga *via* Malebennur, Honnali and Aiyanur as the same will tend to improve the trade on the line. At